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In re Patent Application of

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For: METHOD FOR CONTROLLING A HYDRODYNAMIC STRUCTURAL UNIT AND

CONTROL DEVICE

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## PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181

Sir:

It is submitted that the Decision on Petition in the above noted matter is an error and that the Petition should have been granted.

As noted at the first paragraph on page 2, Applicant submitted the Petition on 13 August 2002. A copy of the signed Declaration had been attached, which the undersigned avers had been filed with the Communication of 7 November 2001. The undersigned told the truth then and now as well.

The Declaration to which the decision referred bears a date 01-09-03. It was signed by German citizens in Europe, who have their own way of dating, year first, month second, date third. The Declaration was signed September 3, 2001, two days before Applicants filed the Transmittal Letter for entry into the National Phase and about one and one-half months before Applicants submitted the signed Declaration, dated 01-09-03 in response to the Notice of Missing Requirements.

A copy of the letter to the undersigned sent by facsimile on September 10, 2001 enclosing the signed Declaration is also attached. The executed Declaration enclosed with that letter was the same one filed in response to the Notice of Missing Requirements.

Since the original Petition by the undersigned on behalf of Applicants, along with a copy of the Declaration of 01-09-03, was filed in August 2002, it is not possible or reasonable that the Declaration would have been dated by both signatories on January 9, 2003, five months later. In fact the Declaration date has been misread.

The undersigned again avers that the Declaration submitted on 13 August 2002 is a true copy of the Declaration filed in Response to the Notice of Missing Requirement on 7 November 2001 (not 7 August 2001, which is a typographical error in the decision).

Accordingly, in view of the foregoing and the statements of the undersigned, which the undersigned avers are true, the original Petition to Withdrawn the Notice of Abandonment should be granted.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on August 12, 2003:

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